

the situation of the German armies forces similar action on the Western front, however, it is assumed here that the German case is being handled through diplomatic channels. The present Berlin civil government claims absolute authority over the army.

The Versailles conference evidently did not sign the final draft of the armistice terms until late today. Just before 6 p. m. it was stated at the State Department that the work had not been completed. An hour later word went out from the Department that an important statement would be forthcoming at 9 p. m.

An attempt to apply the lessons of the Austrian armistice to Germany's situation brings out several points upon which military men base their forecast of the German terms. For one thing, it is regarded as certain that complete evacuation of Alsace-Lorraine will be insisted upon, as well as the occupation of the Rhine fortresses by Allied garrisons. Surrender of the German submarines, and a substantial part of the high seas fleet and the occupation of land defenses that protect German naval bases also are implied.

Army to Leave Guns Behind

So far as the German army is concerned, it must go back into Germany, probably without the whole vast mechanism of war which it carried into France and Belgium. All the big guns, tanks and aircraft, under the Austrian precedent, would be concentrated and left under the direction there of the Allied and American armies.

It was pointed out, however, that since Germany is the last of the Central Powers, when she surrenders there will be no need to provide for employment of her military equipment by Marshal Foch. There will be no one left against whom to turn the guns. The terms for Germany, therefore, probably will show that variation from the Austrian conditions.

One feature of the Austrian surrender conditions which is thought here to have been duplicated in the German terms is that intrusting to Marshal Foch the carrying out of these programmes of demobilization and disarmament.

Attention already is being given here to the next phase after Germany ceases fighting. Officials have not lost sight of the fact that armistices are only stepping stones to the permanent settlement of all the issues of the war. Political questions, boundaries, even commercial rights and privileges all remain to be defined.

Peace Wheels to Move Fast

Both in the United States and in the Allied countries, it is said, the necessity is recognized of setting in motion the wheels of peace-time industry at the earliest possible moment in order to afford employment and support to millions of discharged soldiers. This is expected to hasten the peace conference, once the Germans surrender. It is recalled that whereas the armistice or protocol which stopped the Spanish-American war was signed on August 12, 1898, it provided in its terms for a meeting of the peace plenipotentiaries in Paris before October 1 following. The purpose was to assemble the conferees at the earliest practicable moment.

Probably the same purpose will govern in the present instance, allowing only sufficient time to elapse to carry out the conditions looking to the demobilization of the Central Powers' armies, assembly and control of military supplies and establishment of garrisons.

The Entente Allies and America expect to go into the conference, only after they have reached a perfect understanding among themselves. They will lay down these terms, and while they may choose to permit the latter to make arguments and "pleas in abatement," the result in the end must be what the victors choose to make it.

Deprived of any power of resistance, it is pointed out, the Teutons will be obliged to submit even though they might refuse to sign treaties, in which case the military occupation of their countries by the Allies might continue indefinitely.

Czechs and German-Austrians

Advancing to Clash in Battle

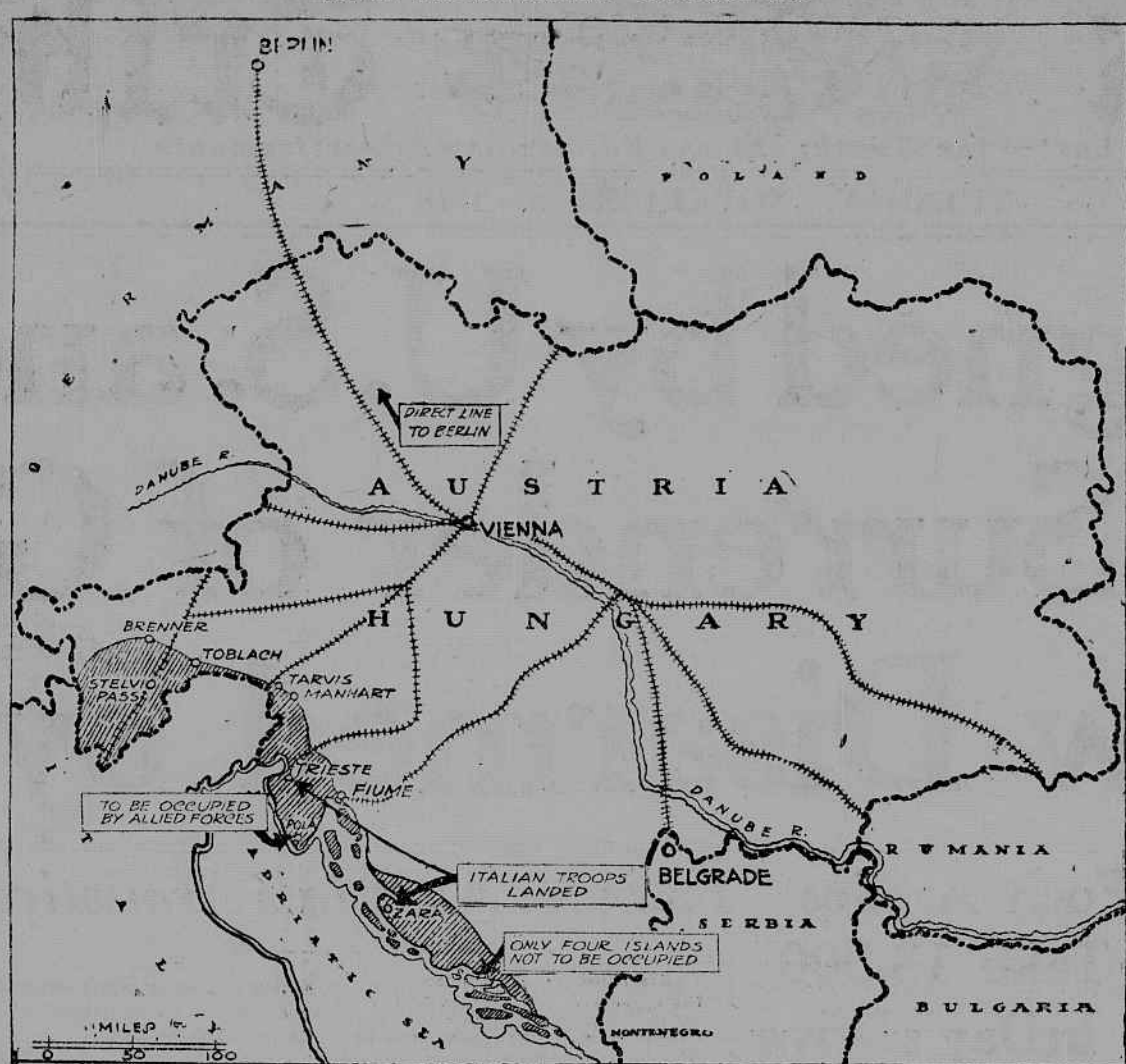
LONDON, Nov. 4.—German-Austrian and Czech regiments, according to a dispatch from Vienna to the "Vossische Zeitung," of Berlin, are advancing against each other near Leitmeritz, thirty-four miles north of Prague, and Leipzig, forty-one miles northeast of Prague.

The Czech National Committee, with the aid of Czech troops, is disarming German-Austrian and Hungarian troops in the Czech towns of Bohemia and Moravia, according to a dispatch from Prague to the "Lokal-Anzeiger," of Berlin. The Czechs have occupied several German towns.

The population of Hungary a month hence will take a public vote to decide the question of a monarchy or a republic, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today. In the balloting the women will have the same electoral rights as the men.

The German-Austrian State Council, says a Vienna dispatch, by way of Amsterdam, adopted a resolution today taking cognizance of the announcement of the armistice with Italy and declaring continued loyal friendship with the German Empire and its decision to con-

THE AUSTRIAN CARCASS



The terms of the Austrian armistice include a withdrawal from the shaded area, corresponding closely to the Italian Irredenta. The railroads and the Danube River come under Allied control in continuing the war against Germany. Pola, the Austro-Hungarian naval base, is to be occupied by the Allied forces.

Terms of Austria's Armistice

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completely disarmed and placed under the supervision of the Allies and the United States of America.

4. Freedom of navigation to all warships and merchant ships of the Allied and associated powers to be given in the Adriatic and up the river Danube and its tributaries in the territorial waters and territory of Austria-Hungary.

The Allies and associated powers shall have the right to sweep up all mine fields and obstructions, and the positions of these are to be indicated.

In order to insure the freedom of navigation on the Danube the Allies and the United States of America shall be empowered to occupy or to dismantle all fortifications or defence works.

5. The existing blockade conditions set up by the Allied and associated powers are to remain unchanged and all Austro-Hungarian merchant ships found at sea are to remain liable to capture, save exceptions which may be made by a commission nominated by the Allies and the United States of America.

6. All naval aircraft are to be concentrated and impactionized in Austro-Hungarian bases, to be designated by the Allies and the United States of America.

7. Evacuation of all the Italian coasts and of all ports occupied by Austria-Hungary outside their national territory, and the abandonment of all floating craft, naval materials, equipment and materials for inland navigation of all kinds.

8. Occupation by the Allies and the United States of America of the land and sea fortifications and the islands which form the defences of the dockyards and arsenal at Pola.

9. All merchant vessels held by Austria-Hungary belonging to the Allies and associated powers to be returned.

10. No destruction of ships or of materials to be permitted before evacuation, surrender or restoration.

11. All naval and mercantile marine prisoners of the Allied and associated powers in Austro-Hungarian hands to be returned without reciprocity.

Council of Hungary and to support it in all its decrees.

Advices have been received in Amsterdam from Vienna of the impending dissolution of the court and the discharge of the guards, in accordance with events which have transpired.

notes of the President, will be included in the list.

Another forecast is that the President will surprise the people by the selection of some of them who will be men as little known to national fame as most of his Cabinet members were at the time of their appointment.

One observer and student of the President's career declares that whatever may be the composition of the commission it is certain to be made up of men who will faithfully reflect the President's ideas, and follow his wishes throughout the conference.

Political Prisoners Released by Austria; Premier's Slayer Free

LONDON, Nov. 4.—Every person imprisoned during the war for seditious utterances against the state and the conduct of the war and for high treason and rebellion will be released, it is officially announced in Vienna, according to a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam today.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 4.—Dr. Friedrich Adler, who assassinated Austrian Premier Sturgkh on October 21, 1916, has been released from prison, according to Vienna advices.

Dr. Friedrich Adler is a son of Dr. Victor Adler, the leader of the Austrian Socialists, and was editor of the newspaper "Der Kampf" when he assassinated Count Sturgkh. Young Adler de-

300,000 Men Taken in Final Bag by Italy

Five Thousand Guns Also Taken in Offensive Ended by Truce

63 Enemy Divisions Put Out of Action

Czecho-Slovak and Yankee Units Had Part in Glorious Finish

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—Three hundred thousand Austrian soldiers and not less than 5,000 guns had been captured by the victorious Italian armies before the armistice went into effect at 3 o'clock this afternoon, said an official dispatch tonight from Rome. This includes all captures since the offensive began, October 24.

The soldiers of the once powerful Austrian army, the dispatch said, continued to flee in disorder. Since the offensive started sixty-three Austro-Hungarian divisions have been put out of combat by fifty-one Italian divisions, three British and two French divisions, with Czecho-Slovak units and an American regiment.

"The war against Austria-Hungary, which was conducted under the high command of His Majesty the King of Italy with an army inferior in number and with still inferior means since the 24th of May, 1915, has come to an end," said the dispatch. "With unshakable faith and indomitable valor the Italian army waged a continuous and hard war for a period of forty-one months and won the stupendous battle begun the 24th of October and in which were engaged in their entirety all the resources of the enemy."

"So far the foe has left in our hands 300,000 prisoners and not less than 5,000 guns. The soldiers of what used to be one of the most powerful armies in the world are now fleeing in disorder and without hope from the valleys which they had invaded with truculent confidence."

"On October 31, after having overcome on strongly fortified positions the resistance of powerful enemy rear guards, our troops, consisting of fifty-one Italian divisions, three British and two French divisions, with Czecho-Slovak units and an American regiment, put out of combat sixty-three Austro-Hungarian divisions."

"The rapid and most daring advance of the 29th Army Corps to the city of Trent, precluding the retreat of the defeated enemy troops, pressed from the west by the 7th Army Corps and from the east by the 1st, 6th and 4th Army Corps, determined yesterday the complete crumbling of the Austrian front."

"From the River Brenta to the sea the irresistible impetus of the 12th, 10th and 8th Army Corps pressed inexorably the enemy retreating across the plains. The Duke of Aosta is advancing rapidly at the head of his invincible 2d Army, anxious to return to the old positions which he had once heroically conquered."

"The Austro-Hungarian army is de-



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Czech Troops in Russia Can Go Home On Giving Up Arms

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 4.—Russian Bolshevik Foreign Minister Tchitcherin has telegraphed the Provisional Czecho-Slovak government, in Prague, offering to allow the Czecho-Slovak troops in Russia to return home after they lay down their arms, according to the "Vienna Journal." He said he would guarantee their safety.

German Socialists Still Insist Kaiser Abdicate

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The German Socialists are not satisfied with the Emperor's proclamation issued Sunday, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen. The "Vorwarts" says: "The manifesto will not in any way change the standpoint of the Socialists nor weaken the demand for abdication."



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Capital Wonders if Wilson Will Sit at Peace Table

(Special Dispatch to The Tribune)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—Assuming that Germany will accept any armistice terms that the Versailles conference may propose, there is much conjecture here as to who shall represent the United States at the fateful council that will redraw the map of Europe.

It may seem fanciful, but it is a fact that there is an expectation in some quarters that the President himself will attend the conference. This is regarded as certain, if it were held at Washington, but it is not considered likely that it will be held here. It is believed that it is not impossible if it is held elsewhere.

To attend a conference abroad the President would have to violate the unwritten law that the Chief Magistrate must not leave the territory of the United States.

In a way, Mr. Taft did this by his trip to Panama when President. Admirers of the President say that he is quite capable of smashing the tradition by going to Europe. Those who hold that it is quite possible he may go, argue that he has not sufficient confidence in any one else to entrust them with the responsibility of unwaveringly carrying out his ideas for lasting foundations of a permanent peace.

It is also remarked that the premiers of all the other Allied nations will attend the conference, and that in any real sense the President is the Premier of the United States, as well as the Chief Executive, and should, therefore, logically, attend.

It is regarded as likely that Justice



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